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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 15 December 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 4.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/56/32, A/56/120/Rev.1, A/56/133, A/56/188, A/56/213 and Corr.1, A/56/261, A/56/277, A/56/293, A/56/299, A/56/300, A/56/339, A/AC.198/2001/8 and A/56/475))

Monday, 17 December 2001

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters
Monday, 17 December 2001, official holiday.]

Tuesday, 18 December 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. (sharp)	4439th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Letter dated 30 April 2001 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2001/434)

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED
PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1373 (2001)
CONCERNING COUNTER-TERRORISM

3 p.m.	16th (closed) meeting	Conference Room 8

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP
ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

3.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Consultation Room

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.71: Preparations for the substantive preparatory process and the World Summit on Sustainable Development (A/C.5/56/28 and A/56/710)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.59: Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (A/C.5/56/29 and A/56/716)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/56/L.42: United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (A/C.5/56/26 and A/56/705)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/56/L.45: The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/56/27 and A/56/709)

   Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

   Action on draft decision A/C.5/56/L.21

   Revised estimates: effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

   Action on draft decision A/C.5/56/L.22

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [122]

   Second performance report for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/56/674 and A/56/694)

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [131]

   Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [132]

   Revised estimates resulting from the strengthening of the role of Internal Oversight Services at the Tribunals for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/C.5/56/30)

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 127 (United Nations common system: Report of the International Civil Service Commission (A/56/30) and Strengthening the international civil service (A/54/483 and A/55/526)) and 125 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/56/11 and Add.1))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 131 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/56/495 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/56/501, A/56/665 and A/C.5/56/30)), 132 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/56/497 and Add.1, A/56/265, A/56/500, A/56/666 and A/C.5/56/30)), 123 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: Safety and security of United Nations personnel (A/56/469 and Corr.1 and 2 and 3 (French and Arabic only) and A/56/619)), 122 (Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001) and 133 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations): Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly: Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.23 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) (A/C.5/55/46 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/56/478)

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* Following the adjournment of the 38th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

7 p.m.- 10 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/6 and Corr.1, A/56/7, A/56/16, A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1 and A/C.5/56/11/Rev.2))

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CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	2nd meeting (closed)	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Programme budget implications

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal (closed) consultations in preparation for its resumed 2001 session on Tuesday, 18 December, at 10.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 18 December 2001

GROUP OF 77
(resumed session of the Economic and Social Council)

1.30 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES:

COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATURES

3.30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(preparations for the World Summit for Sustainable Development)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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There will be a closed meeting of the Alliance of Small Island States on Tuesday, 18 December 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is conducting a workshop on team development. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 18 December 2001, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9, and on Wednesday, 19 December, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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Informal meeting

An expert group meeting on "Structural Threats to Social Integrity: Social Roots of Violent Conflict and Indicators for Prevention" will take place from Tuesday to Thursday, 18 to 20 December 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting, to be conducted in English, is organized by the Social Integration Branch, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. For further information, please contact Ms. Brigid Donelan (tel.: (212) 963-3173).

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Forum

There will be a closed meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 18 December 2001, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 1. The Secretary-General of the United Nations will address the Forum.

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Briefing

There will be a press briefing on the launch of the report of the International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty (ICISS), organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, on Tuesday, 18 December 2001 at 3.35 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Canada (tel.: (212) 848-1162).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 19 December 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m. 88th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/56/572) [108]

2. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing: report of the Third Committee (A/56/573) [109]

3. Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/56/574) [110]

4. International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/56/575) [111]

5. Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/56/576) [112]

6. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century": report of the Third Committee (A/56/577) [113]

7. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/56/578) [114]

8. Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/56/579) [115]

9. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/56/580) [116]

10. Right of peoples to self-determination: report of the Third Committee (A/56/582) [118]

11. Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/56/583) [119]

    (a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/56/583/Add.1)

    (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/56/583/Add.2)

    (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/56/583/Add.3)

    (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/56/583/Add.4)

    (e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/56/583/Add.5)

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/56/584) [12]

13. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: report of the Third Committee (A/56/585) [27]

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
7 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The fourth session of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Financing for Development will be held from 14 to 25 January 2002. The first meeting will take place on Monday, 14 January, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work will be issued as document A/AC.257/31.

Delegations are requested to submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Ms. Vivian Pliner-Josephs (room S-2950E; fax: (212) 963-5935).

Background information on the preparatory process for the International Conference on Financing for Development and the work of the Preparatory Committee is available on the financing for development Web site at: <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd>.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 2001

The Economic and Social Council will hold its resumed substantive session of 2001 on Thursday, 20 December 2001, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to discuss all outstanding issues, including the elections of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

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The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal (closed) consultations in preparation for its resumed 2001 session on Thursday, 20 December 2001, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

The Committee will hold its resumed 2001 session from 14 to 25 January 2002 in Conference Room 4. The agenda of the 2001 session is contained in document E/C.2/2001/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are requested to inform the Secretary-General about the composition of their delegation for the resumed session through the Committee Secretary, Mr. Otto Gustafik (room S-2950F; fax: (212) 963-5935).

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Bob F. Jalang'o (Kenya), on Tuesday, 15 January 2002, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The fortieth session of the Commission for Social Development will be held at Headquarters from 11 to 21 February 2002. The first meeting will take place on Monday, 11 February, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. The provisional annotated agenda will be issued as document E/CN.5/2002/1, and the organization of work will be issued as document E/CN.5/2002/L.1.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Vivian Pliner-Josephs (room S- 2950E; fax: (212) 963-5935).

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (4-15 March 2002). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Eradicating poverty, including through the empowerment of women throughout their life cycle in a globalizing world; and (2) Environmental management and mitigation of natural disasters: a gender perspective. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women, by hand-delivery to room DC2-1260, by fax ((212)-963-3463); or by e-mail (daw@un.org), no later than Friday, 21 December 2001.

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (21-25 January 2002) will take place on Thursday, 10 January 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2002/2 All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session for 2001

The first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 21 to 25 January 2002 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2002/2. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 7 January 2002.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The revised draft outcome document of the International Conference on Financing for Development, which has been prepared by the Facilitator, Mr. Mauricio Escanero, is available on the Financing for Development Web site at: <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd>. Hard copies of the text may be obtained from the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat (room DC2-2386).

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At the informal meeting held on Friday, 7 December 2001, the Chairperson of Working Group II of the Disarmament Commisison dealing with agenda item 5 (Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms) distributed the information provided by delegations on documents and meetings on existing confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms. Copies of the information are available at the Department of Disarmament Affairs with Mr. Nazir Kamal (room S-3170F; tel.: (212) 963-6195), as well as with the Chairperson, Ms. Gabriela Martinic, Permanent Mission of Argentina (tel.: (212) 688-6300, extensions 226 and 224). The Chairperson would also like to remind all delegations that they might submit further information.

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Background information on the Secretary-General's report on the priority theme "Integration of social and economic policy" of the fortieth session of the Commission for Social Development (12-22 February 2002), is available to be picked up at the office of the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development (room DC2-1370). It can also be downloaded from the Web site of the Division at: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/2002/htm>.

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) are jointly conducting a Workshop on the priority theme of the fortieth session of the Commission for Social Development: Integration of social and economic policy. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday, 16 January 2002, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 9 January . For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963- 9684 or (212) 963- 9196).

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As from Monday, 3 December 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 14 December 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4436th meeting

The situation in Cyprus

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/2001/1122)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2001/1190, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/2001/1190).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2001/1190) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1384 (2001).

4437th meeting

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Letter dated 10 November 2001 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2001/1072)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Angola, Belgium, Burundi, Canada, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Japan, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe at their requests, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In the absence of objection, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Mahmoud Kassem, Chairman of the Expert Panel on the Illegal Exploitation of Natural Resources and Other Forms of Wealth in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Mahmoud Kassem.

The Council heard a statement by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, His Excellency Mr. Leonard She Okitundu, the Third Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, His Excellency Mr. James Wapakabulo, the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania, His Excellency Mr Abdulkadeer Shareef, and the Adviser to the President of Rwanda, His Excellency Mr. Patrick Mazimhaka.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Norway, Ireland, Jamaica, Bangladesh, Mauritius, Ukraine, the United Kingdom, the United States, the Russian Federation, Singapore, Tunisia, Colombia, China, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Mali.

The Council then heard a statement by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zimbabwe, His Excellency Mr. I.S.G. Mudenge.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Canada, Belgium (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union – Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia – and the associated countries of Cyprus, Malta and Turkey and Liechtenstein, EFTA country belonging to the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), Angola, Burundi, Nigeria, Zambia, Namibia and Japan.

Mr. Mahmoud Kassem responded to comments and questions posed by members of the Council.

4438th meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Letter dated 13 December 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2001/1191)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Cuba, Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Malaysia and South Africa, at their requests, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to a letter dated 14 December 2001 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations (S/2001/1205), requesting an invitation to participate in the meeting in accordance with the Council's previous practice. In accordance with the rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the discussion.

In response to the request contained in a letter dated 14 December 2001 from the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the President extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, Mr. Papa Louis Fall.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2001/1199, submitted by Egypt and Tunisia.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of Palestine.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, Egypt, Mauritius, the United Kingdom, Ukraine, the United States, Jamaica, Singapore, the Russian Federation, China, Colombia, Bangladesh, Norway, South Africa and Israel.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier at the meeting, the Council heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Papa Louis Fall.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Malaysia, Canada, Brazil, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Belgium, (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union – Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia – and the associated countries of Cyprus, Malta and Turkey and Liechtenstein, EFTA country belonging to the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement).

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of France and Ireland, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Mali.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2001/1199) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2001/1199) received 12 votes in favour, one against (the United States of America), 2 abstentions (Norway and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), and was not adopted, owing to the negative vote of a permanent member of the Council.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

86th plenary meeting

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed of the following programme of work for the week of 18 December 2001:

Wednesday, 19 December,
morning: Reports of the Third Committee

Thursday, 20 December,
morning: Item 20 (f) (Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan), together with item 43 (The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security)

Thursday, 20 December,
afternoon: 1. Item 32 (Multilingualism)

2. Item 40 (The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Friday, 21 December,
morning: Reports of the Second Committee

Note: The remaining part of the summary of the 86th plenary meeting will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2001/245).

87th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 87th plenary meeting will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2001/245).

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 37th meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Part IV: International cooperation for development

Section 11 B: International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

The report of the Secretary-General was before the Committee in document A/56/6/Add.1.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/56/7/Add.3).

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada and the United States.

The representative of the International Trade Centre, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Chief of the Economic, Social and Human Rights Service of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this section.

The Chairman informed the Committee that further consideration on this section would be held in the context of the informal consultations on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

The report of the Secretary-General was before the Committee in document A/C.5/56/25.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/56/7/Add.5).

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, the Syrian Arab Republic and Norway.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Question replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

Following a proposal by the Chairman, the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement on a point of procedure.

The Chairman then informed the Committee that the secretariat would prepare a draft decision for action by the Committee on the estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized.

Revised estimates: effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/56/659).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/56/7/Add.4).

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Japan and the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to a question raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee agreed that the Secretariat would prepare a draft decision for action by the Committee by which it would recommend that the General Assembly take note of the revised estimates arising from the recosting of the effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation.

Organization of work

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
ACTING AS THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE
FOR THE SECOND WORLD ASSEMBLY ON AGEING
Resumed first session 9th meeting

Accreditation and participation of non-governmental organizations in the Second World Assembly on Ageing and its preparatory process [4]

The representative of Algeria made a statement.

The Preparatory Committee decided to accredit the non-governmental organizations listed in document E/CN.5/2001/PC/5 to the Second World Assembly on Ageing and its preparatory process.

The Preparatory Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4.

Preparations for the Second World Assembly on Ageing [3]

Draft outcome document

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77), the United States, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) and Algeria.

The Secretary responded to points raised.

Following a statement by the Chairman, the Preparatory Committee agreed to hold further informal informal consultations on the draft outcome document (see E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.9) from 10 to 16 January 2002. Regional groups would meet from 7 to 9 January 2002. The Preparatory Committee also agreed to set a deadline of 10 January 2002, at 12 noon, for the submission of new texts or amendments to the draft outcome document.

The representative of Belgium made a statement to which the representative of the Division for Social Policy and Development responded.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Preparatory Committee decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Towards the Second World Assembly on Ageing" (document E/CN.5/2001/PC/2).

The Preparatory Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Closure of the session

The Preparatory Committee agreed to entrust the Chairman with finalizing the report on its resumed first session.

The Chairman then declared closed the first session of the Preparatory Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Accession: Democratic People's Republic of Korea (13 December 2001)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Democratic People's Republic of Korea (13 December 2001)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of December 2001 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
United Republic of Tanzania
H.E. Mr. Daudi Ngelautwa Mwakawago

Asian States:
Turkey
H.E. Mr. Mehmet Ümit Pamir

Eastern European States:
Latvia
H.E. Mr. Gints Jegermanif

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Jamaica
H.E. Miss Mignonette Patricia Durrant

Western European and other States:
Israel
H.E. Mr. Aaron Jacob
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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Web sites

Presidency of the Security Council:

<http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency>

President of the General Assembly:

<http://www.un.org/ga/president>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

<http://www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373>

<http://www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm>

<http://www. un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373>

<http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373>

<http://www.un.org/russian/documen/scdocs/committees/1373>

<http:// www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html>

Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development:

<http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org>

<http://www.un.int/indonesia>

Belgian presidency of the European Union:

<http://www.un.int/belgium>

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